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Russ Kick

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Dear Russ Kick:

We received your Freedom of Information Act request dated 02/26/2019, and assigned it case number DLA-DSERV-2019-002055.

We process all requests on a "First-In, First-Out" queue basis. The Department of Defense has established three queues for FOIA requests: Expedited, Simple, and Complex. Your request has been assigned to the SIMPLE queue. Due to an extremely heavy FOIA workload, over 650 cases, we are unable to complete your request or appeal within the statutory time requirement. To demonstrate our commitment, our team is working additional hours to address this backlog of FOIA requests and appeals. In fairness to the general public, we make every effort to treat all requesters equally. Accordingly, responses are made on a first-in, first-out, easy-hard basis, and controlled in response queues. We anticipate a response to you no later than October 22, 2019.

Please contact me at Judith.Mansfield@dla.mil or 269 961-4513 if you have questions or wish to inquire about the status of your request. Please reference case number DLA-DSERV-2019-002055 in all correspondence.

Sincerely,

Judith R. Mansfield FOIA/Privacy Specialist